

REPORT OF IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2021

1. CENTRAL OFFICE

Works undertaken during February 2021

S. No.	Name of work
1.	Videography and livestreaming the events of Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival at Bharata Kalakshetra Auditorium, Kalakshetra Foundation
2.	Electrical installation work for commissioning of Dimmer pack - 6 Nos at BKA

Dignitaries visited

- On 5.02.2021, Aliance Francaise Director Mr.Bruno Plasse & Cultural Attachee Ms.Prutha Narke from New Delhi visited Kalakshetra.
- On 20.2.2021, Ms.Nirupama Kotru, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture visited Kalakshetra. Ms.Nirupama Kotru, Joint Secretary, had a discussion with the faculties of the RDCFA and visited the CERC.



2. RUKMINI DEVI COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS (RDCFA)

- The Bagula Panchami which marks the Thyagaraja Aradhana day was celebrated on 2nd February 2021. Portrait of Lord Rama was taken around the college on procession and rendering of Pancharatna Kritis of Saint Thyagaraja by the students and staff of Rukmini Devi college of Fine Arts as an homage to the Saint composer.



- Arrear exams for the students were conducted from 16.02.2021 – 24.02.2021.
- Online portal inviting applications for the next academic year was opened on 26.02.2020
- **Trinity Festival 2021:** This festival celebrated every year in memory of the three great composers of Carnatic Music, viz., Saint Thyagaraja, Muthuswamy Dikshithar and Syama Sastri. It was celebrated for two days on 2nd & 3rd February, 2021 at Bharata Kalakshetra Auditorium.



On 2nd February - Carnatic Vocal by Kunnakudi Shri M.Balamurali Krishna.



On 3rd February - Flute by Shri J.B.Sruthi Sagar.

3. THEATRE

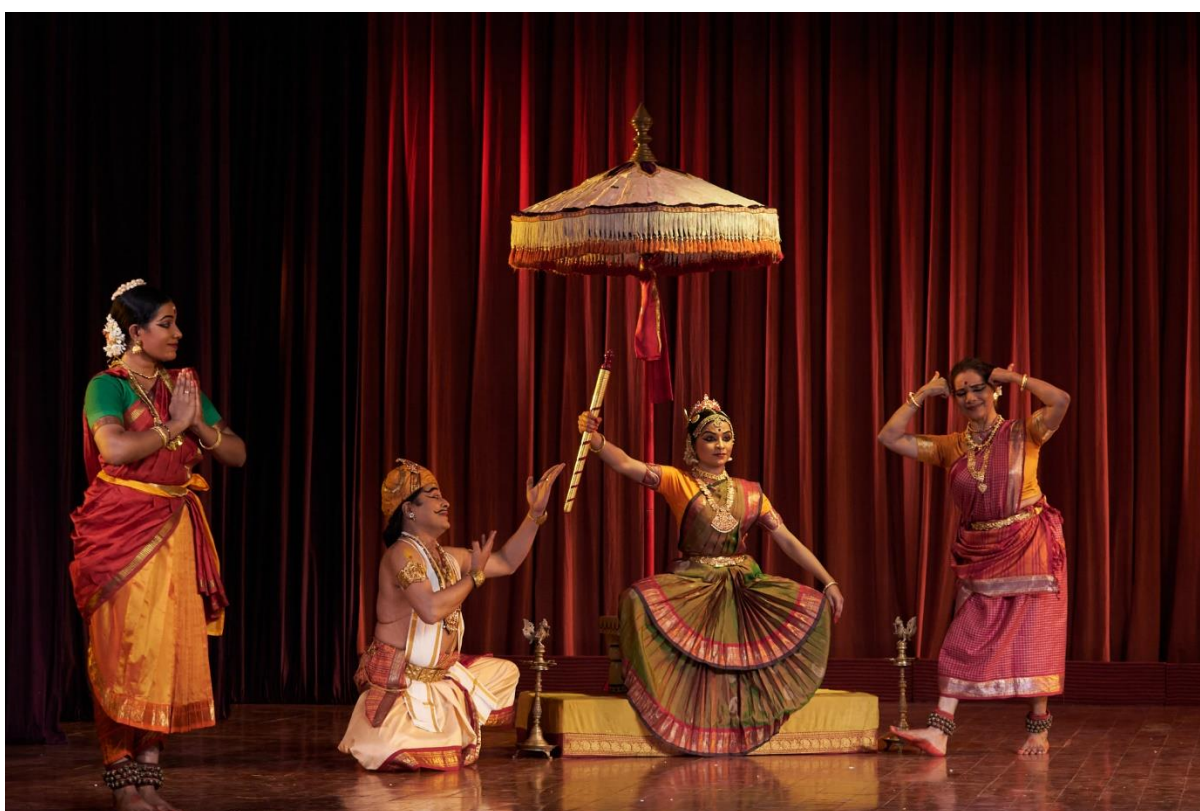
- Kalakshetra Foundation has conducted **Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival** from 25th February to March 1st of 2021. Honourable Justice Dr. Anita Sumanth (Judge, High Court, Madras) inaugurated the festival on 25th February 2021.

Event Schedule

Date	Programme
25 February	'Meenakshi Vijayam ' Dance Drama by Kalakshetra Foundation at 6pm
26 February	Carnatic Vocal by 'Trichur Brothers' Srikrishna Mohan and Ramkumar Mohan at 6pm
27 February	'Rukmini Kalyanam ' Dance Drama by Kalakshetra Foundation at 6 pm
28 February	Violin concert by 'Akkarai Sisters' S.Subhalakshmi and S.Sornalatha at 6pm
1 st March	'Paduka Pattabishekam' Dance Drama by Kalakshetra Foundation at 6 pm



Inauguration by Chief Guest



'Meenakshi Vijayam' Dance Drama by Kalakshetra Foundation



Carnatic Vocal by 'Trichur Brothers' Srikrishna Mohan and Ramkumar Mohan



'Rukmini Kalyanam' Dance Drama by Kalakshetra Foundation



Violin concert by 'Akkarai Sisters' S.Subhalakshmi and S.Sornalatha



'Paduka Pattabishekam' Dance Drama by Kalakshetra Foundation

4. OUTREACH

Preparation for the Trinity Festival

- The events viz, **Trinity Festival, Remembering Rukmini Devi festival 2021** were widely promoted in all social media platforms, website, MOC group, various art and culture FB groups and leading newspaper were sent program invite
- The **Trinity Festival** was live streamed.

5. MUSEUM

- Modified and prepared museum proposal submitted to the Director.

6. BESANT ARUNDALE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL (BASS School)

- The Date Sheet for Classes X and XII Board Examinations was released by the CBSE and was shared with students.
- Staff Meetings were conducted to discuss Board Examinations and Annual Examinations as CBSE has suggested the next academic year to start from April 1st 2021.
- Teachers were instructed to convey the lessons to be tested for the examination to parents and students and discuss the question paper pattern with teachers -in-charge.
- Teachers contacted parents to know their willingness to send their wards studying in Classes IX and XI to school to attend offline classes from 8th February as the Government had permitted schools to do so.
- Offline classes started for students of Classes IX and XI on 8th February following all the SOPs
- Annual Examination schedule prepared and posted to students.
- Teachers attended webinars on NEP and also participated in a Quiz based on NEP.
- PCR test for COVID-19 detection was done for all staff members by The Corporation of Chennai.
- The Term-II (Annual) Examination for classes 6-8 was divided into 2 parts- Objective and Subjective. The Objective tests were conducted from 20th of February.
- Pre-Board Examinations for Classes X and XII were conducted from 22nd February.
- Screening test for Admission classes VI and I was conducted.
- Students took an oath to protect the Girl Child as a part of the Girl Child Protection day on 24th February.
- The Times of India digital News Paper is being shared with students regularly

7. BESANT THEOSOPHICAL HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL (BTHS School)

- CCTV cameras installed and functioning successfully in the BTHSS campus.
- HM attended a meeting for all head of schools held at Santhome Higher secondary school, in which DEO (central Chennai) explained about the time table schedule and other instructions related to the class 12 exams starting from May 2021.
- Three cycles which were due to our school were received last week and they were handed over to the HSC plus 1 students.
- National Means Cum-Merit Scholarship (NMMS) exam was held for VIII std, 14 students from BTHS school attended the exam at Avvai Home Schol, Adyar.
- Leprosy Awareness Program was conducted in the school by the Inspector, Department of Health.
- Classes for IX and XI were also reopened on 8th February 2021.
- TN govt. has cancelled public exams from classes 9th to 11th std, declaring PASS for all students.

- Model practical exams for 12th std are being conducted for subjects Physics, Chemistry and computer science.
- February month being the last month for deducting income tax at source for the staff of aided school, it was successfully completed and salary details uploaded in the IFHRMS.

8. CRAFT EDUCATION AND RESEARCH CENTRE (CERC)

I. Production for the month of February 2021

S. No	Kalamkari Unit/Production Printing	No of items
1	Khadi Saree Weaving	6 No's
2	Khadi Material	12.00 Mts
3	Stole Printing	47 No's

S.No	Painting Section	No of Items
1	Job Order Saree (work in progress)	8 Nos

S.No	Weaving Department	No of Items
1	Silk Sarees	5 Nos
2	Cotton Sarees	27 Nos
3	Khadi Running Material	130.00Mts

S. No	Particulars	Amount
1	Weaving Sales	612690.00
2	Kalamkari Sales	39427.00
3	Job Order	48430.00
	Total	700547.00



Indigo vats were successfully inaugurated on 15.02.2021 at CERC.

9. ARCHIVES

- Video & photo documentation of Natural Indigo Dyeing Unit setup at CERC campus
- Technical coordination for installation of projectors at BKA for RRDF-21.

10. R&D LIBRARY

The Research Library started to Maintain the database as per International Standards software KOHA. The database of books in the Research Library from excel format is being transferred.

